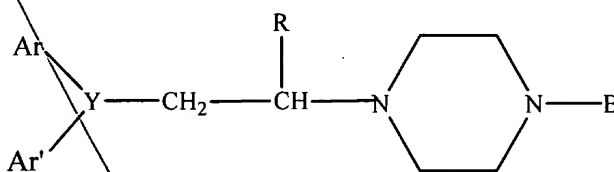


IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121 as follows (see the accompanying "marked up" version pursuant to 1.121):

1. (Amended) A compound of the formula



wherein

each of Ar and Ar' is independently selected from a group consisting of phenyl and pyridyl each optionally substituted by one or more members selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, nitro, amino, alkylsulfonylamino, or alkylamino;

Y is selected from the group consisting of a nitrogen atom, a CH, C-OH, C-CN, or a C-CONH₂ group;

R is a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl group;

B is (a) phenyl, optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkoxy, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, alkylsulfonylamino, and alkylamino; and (b) a fused bicyclic ring system comprising a phenyl ring and an aromatic ring fused to said phenyl ring, wherein said aromatic ring is optionally substituted with one or more heteroatoms selected from N, O, or S, with the provisos that

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- 1) when B is methoxyphenyl and Y is selected from C-CN and C-CONH₂, then Ar and Ar' are not simultaneously unsubstituted phenyl;
- 2) when Y is CH, Ar and Ar' cannot both be optionally substituted pyridyl;
- 3) when Y is CH and one of Ar and Ar' is optionally substituted phenyl, the other of Ar' and Ar cannot be optionally substituted pyridyl;
and
- 4) when Y is CH or a nitrogen atom and each of Ar and Ar' are optionally substituted phenyl wherein said substitution is methyl, then B cannot be unsubstituted phenyl,
and enantiomers, diastereomers, N-oxides crystalline forms, hydrates and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

~~Claims 1-5 and 19-22 are pending and at issue. Claim 1 has been amended to correct~~
certain minor clerical errors and to attend to the rejection under § 112, second paragraph, discussed below. Therefore, the amendment to claim 1 does not introduce new matter.